ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An improved digital camera is provided that detects pictures of human subjects whose eyes are not closed. The improved digital camera generally includes an eye detection activation element that is operable to initiate an eye detection mode; an image sensor that captures image data for a target subject; an image processor that converts the image data into a digital image form; and an eye detection component that evaluates the digital image form for the target subject and determines whether at least one eye of the target subject is closed.